TAMIL NADU AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

O/o The Registrar, TNAU, Coimbatore

No. TNAU/VC/Review/AC & RI, Madurai/20-21/No.9-IV/ dt; 22.09.2020

PROCEEDINGS

Sub: TNAU – AC&RI, Madurai – Vice-Chancellor Visit - on 15.09.2020 & 16.09.2020 Proceedings – issuance - reg.

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The Vice Chancellor visited Agricultural College and Research Institute, Madurai on 15th and 16th September, 2020 and inspected the progress of various activities in the Departments and newly developed infrastructural facilities. The following are the remarks of the Vice-Chancellor for follow up by the concerned scientists.

A. GENERAL

- 1. The Lab Assistants may be fully engaged for Laboratory works. They can be reallocated between the Departments on need basis.
- 2. The additional manpower *viz.*, Lab Assistant / Skilled helper on Contractual basis can be engaged based on the availability of funds in the schemes and on approval from the University with justifications.
- 3. The list of publications has to be sent to the Director, Planning and Monitoring for documentation. Efforts may be taken to publish research articles with more than 6 NAAS rating.
- 4. Drip system may be installed for effective utilization of irrigation water, wherever possible.
- 5. Use of Permanent labours (PUSM) for office use has to be minimized and they are to be engaged for field works only.

B. EDUCATION

- 1. The service of Assistant Professor (Vet. Sci.) working at RRS, Aruppukottai may be utilized on need basis for handling Veterinary courses.
- P.G Students may be permitted to do the research work in nearby research stations based on the availability of resources for which the Dean (SPGS) may be contacted for the allotment of PG students in Agronomy/Horticulture/Crop Physiology for AC&RI, Madurai before admission itself.
- 3. As indicated earlier, final year students be motivated to appear for ICAR JRF examinations and it may be ensured that atleast 10 per cent of the students clear JRF examinations.

C. RESEARCH

1. University Research Project on Black Soldier Fly Larvae production as a feed for poultry may be submitted.

- 2. Collaborative research schemes may be submitted for external funding.
- 3. The Professor and Head, RRS, Vridhachalam may be informed about the availability of Cashew trees seedling populations in the college orchard for their evaluation during growing cum fruiting season.

D. FARM MANAGEMENT

- Piggery unit in Animal Husbandry may be extended in Western side and concrete floor be provided. The weaning tank be renovated and solar fence be provided over the existing wall. Colour roofing sheet shed may be provided under the ERDF budget. Proposal in this regard be submitted.
- 2. Proposal to repair the existing poultry sheds may be sent to house more batches of birds to augment revenues.
- 3. Proposal for purchase of Battery Operated Mini Roller for milk distribution with a capacity of 500 kg may be proposed under non-recurring item in the VCS Agronomy scheme.
- 4. The Dean, AEC & RI, TNAU, Coimbatore may be addressed for repair, maintenance and transfer of the Tractor Mounted Combined Harvester available in the Central Farm to needy Research Station.
- 5. All the available organic waste material and litter may be effectively composted and recycled for Farm use.
- 6. The Dean AEC & RI, Kumulur may be addressed to depute a Technical person to give training to operate the paddy transplanter and other farm equipments purchased under TANII Scheme.
- 7. All the AAOs should attend the muster duty and strictly supervise to improve labour use efficiency and should be periodically monitored by the Professor (Farms).
- 8. Fish reared at Chittankulam Tank may be auctioned at the earliest mentioning the specific condition *viz.*, use of water for irrigation purpose in 'D' Block.
- 9. Fast growing bamboo species may be planted all along the inner boundary of Chittankulam tank before 15th October 2020.
- 10. Native species of tree seedlings may be planted along the main road from Library to Animal Husbandry unit.
- 11. Latest varieties released from TNAU may be raised by KVK, Madurai in crop cafeteria to exhibit to farmers and students during their visit to the campus.
- 12. Duck rearing may be initiated in the IFS block and Chittankulam tank area.
- 13. The coconut garden to be gap filled and adequately manured to regain their good health.
- 14. Proposal to be submitted to provide solar security fencing on the wall running close to Vavalthottam village.

E. ORCHARD

- 1. Action may be taken to produce Mango grafted plants utilizing the available scion bank at College orchard.
- 2. Perennial tall growing forest trees may be planted at the back yard of orchard to utilize the available space.
- 3. Manila tamarind available at College orchard may be pruned to maintain the tree shape.
- 4. Ornamental plants available at College orchard may be multiplied in large numbers.

- 5. Tall growing, self pruning agro forestry species may be planted on both sides of the road.
- 6. Mango mother blocks have over grown and they may be pruned to 2 feet height from ground level and maintained as UHDP for demonstration.

Action taken may be reported regularly.

(By Order of the Vice-Chancellor)

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The Dean, AC & RI, Madurai

CC: Professor and Head, RRS, Vridhachalam/ RRS, Aruppukottai /Director of Research / Dean, AÉC & RI, Coimbatore/ Dean, SPGS, TNAU, Coimbatore/ Dean, AEC &RI, Kumulur, The TPO to Vice-Chancellor for follow up.